

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Ming-Hui WEI et al.

Serial No.: 10/681,222

Filed: October 9, 2003

For: ISOLATED HUMAN ZINC
METALLOPROTEASES, NUCLEIC ACID
MOLECULES ENCODING SAID ENZYMES,
AND USES THEREOF

Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: M. Monshipouri

Atty. Docket: CL001200DIVII

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

By Facsimile

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed on May 19, 2004 from Examiner Monshipouri in which a restriction requirement was issued for the above-referenced application.

Applicants hereby elect claim group III (claims 4-6, 8-11, and 22-23, drawn to isolated nucleic acid molecules, vectors, host cells, etc.) for examination and have canceled claims corresponding to the non-elected groups I-II and IV-VIII.

Please amend the application as follows:

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REMARKS

By way of the above amendments, claims 1-23 have been canceled, and claims 24-38 have been added. As such, claims 24-38 are presently pending.

The newly added claims add no new subject matter and their entry is respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully assert that the claims are in condition for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	-20** =	X	
Multiple Dependent	-3** =	X	
		290	290

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	2053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 65	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee	
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